

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

JASMINE CUMBOW,

Plaintiff,

v.

MEDINA, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No.: 2:24-cv-01766-JAD-BNW

ORDER

On September 20, 2024, pro se plaintiff Jasmine Cumbow, an inmate in the custody of the Nevada Department of Corrections, submitted a complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and applied to proceed *in forma pauperis*. ECF Nos. 1-1, 1. The application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is deficient because Plaintiff failed to include an inmate trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period with it.

The United States District Court for the District of Nevada must collect filing fees from parties initiating civil actions. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). As of December 1, 2023, the fee for filing a civil-rights action is \$405, which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$55 administrative fee. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1914(b). “Any person who is unable to prepay the fees in a civil case may apply to the court for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*.” Nev. LSR 1-1. For an inmate to apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit **all three** of the following documents to the Court: (1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate**, which is pages 1–3 of the Court’s approved form, that is properly signed by the inmate twice on page 3; (2) a completed **Financial Certificate**, which is page 4 of the Court’s approved form, that is properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official; and (3) a copy of the **inmate’s prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period**. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1)–(2); Nev. LSR 1-2. *In forma pauperis* status does not relieve an inmate of his or her obligation to pay the filing fee, it just means that the inmate can pay the fee in installments. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b).

1 It is therefore ordered that Plaintiff has **until November 29, 2024**, to either pay the full
2 \$405 filing fee or file with the Court a copy of the inmate's trust fund account statement for the
3 previous six-month period.

4 Plaintiff is cautioned that this action will be subject to dismissal without prejudice if she
5 fails to timely comply with this order. A dismissal without prejudice allows Plaintiff to refile the
6 case with the Court, under a new case number, when she can file a complete application to proceed
7 *in forma pauperis* or pay the required filing fee.

8 The Clerk of the Court is directed to send plaintiff Jasmine Cumbow the approved form
9 application to proceed *in forma pauperis* for an inmate and instructions for the same, and to retain
10 the complaint (ECF No. 1-1) but not file it at this time.

11 DATED: September 30, 2024
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15 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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